

**PARKS AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE**  
**of the**  
**SUFFOLK COUNTY LEGISLATURE**

**Minutes**

A regular meeting of the Parks and Cultural Affairs of the Suffolk County Legislature was held in the Rose Y. Caracappa Legislative Auditorium of the William H. Rogers Legislature Building, Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown, New York, on **Wednesday, June 2, 2004**.

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**MEMBERS PRESENT:**

Legislator Jay Schneiderman • Chairperson

Legislator Michael Caracciolo • Vice•Chair

Legislator Cameron Alden

Legislator Angie Carpenter

Legislator Vilorio•Fisher

Legislator Ricardo Montano

Legislator Peter O'Leary

Legislator Jon Cooper

**ALSO IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mea Knapp • Counsel to the Legislature

Ronald Foley • Chief Deputy Commissioner of Parks

Tracey Scala • Deputy Commissioner of Parks

Roger Podd • County Executive's Office

Sean Clancy • Budget Review Office

Charlie Bender • Aide to P.O. Caracappa

All other interested parties

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**MINUTES TAKEN BY:**

Donna Catalano • Court Stenographer

**(\* THE MEETING WAS CALLED TO ORDER AT 11:43 A.M. \*)**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Okay. I'd like to call the meeting of the Parks Committee to order, Parks and Cultural Affairs. If you all will rise and join us for the Pledge of Allegiance led by Legislator Carpenter.

**SALUTATION**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

This should be a fairly quick meeting? Do we have any yellow cards? Do we have a public hearing? No, we do not. All right.

**INTRODUCTORY RESOLUTION**

**1456. Re•extend the deadline for report by Committee to study common sense alternative water protection mechanisms for Suffolk County Park System. (CARACCILO).**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Let's move on to our resolutions. Resolution 1456.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Motion to approve.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

There's a motion to approve. Is there a second?

**LEG. ALDEN:**

Second.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Second. All in favor? All in favor? Opposed? Passed and carried. **APPROVED (VOTE:8•0•0•0•0).**

**1458•04. Amending the ATV Task Force to add two additional members. (CARACCIOLO).**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Is there •• is there a motion on this?

**LEG. ALDEN:**

Motion to table.

**LEG. O'LEARY:**

Second on the motion to table.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

All in favor? Any opposed to tabling? **TABLED (VOTE:8•0•0•0•0)**

**1504•04. To exempt families of active duty military personnel from paying County Parks entrance fees. (NOWICK)**

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Motion to approve.

**LEG. VILORIA•FISHER:**

Second.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

All in favor? I'm sorry, 1504 was done by CN.

**1524•04. Authorizing the transfer of certain properties to Suffolk County Department of Parks, Recreation and Conservation. (COUNTY EXEC)**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

I have a request from the County Executive's Office to table so...

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Motion to table.

**COMMISSIONER FOLEY:**

He did want that tabled. I'd also like to take your attention back to 1456, that title seems to be an error. It's about the alternative funding. It doesn't have anything to do with water protection measures that I'm aware of.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Thank you. I thought that was an error as well. 1524, motion to table by Legislator Carpenter, seconded by Legislator Montano. All in favor? Opposed? **TABLED (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

**1542•04. Appropriating funds in connection with demolition/construction of maintenance facility at Indian Island Golf Course. (COUNTY EXEC)**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Motion by Legislator Carpenter, seconded by Legislator Vilorio•Fisher, All in favor, aye? Any Opposed? Passed and carried.

**APPROVED (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

**1546•04. Amending the 2004 Capital Budget and Program and appropriating funds in connection with paving improvements and lighting at County Parks. (COUNTY EXEC)**

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

On the motion. Was this part of 1561 that was approved?

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

I don't know.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

I'm asking Budget Review Office.

**MR. CLANCY:**

I don't have information on that right now. That's IR 1561 that you're referring to?

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Yes.

**MR. CLANCY:**

I don't know. I can get back to you on that.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

All right. Well, why don't we just approve it, and if it is, then it will just be ••

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Redundant.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Yes. Motion to approve.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

There's motion and a second by Legislator O'Leary. All in favor, aye? Any opposed? Passes.

**APPROVED (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

**1553•04. Amending the 2004 Operating Budget to transfer funds from the Suffolk County Water Protection Fund Reserve Fund to the Suffolk County Department of Parks for Timber Point Golf Course Maintenance Building. (COUNTY EXEC)**

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

I think that might be the same case with this thing.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Motion to approve by Legislator O'Leary, seconded by Legislator Vilorio•Fisher. All in favor? Any Opposed? Passed.

**APPROVED (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

1563 has been withdrawn.

**TABLED PRIME**

**1027•04. Establishing a turf policy for athletic fields in Suffolk County Parks.  
(BISHOP)**

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

I believe ••

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Motion to table.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

•• Legislator bishop was going to withdraw this resolution.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

All right. So motion to table.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Why don't we just defeat it?

**LEG. VILORIA•FISHER:**

Second the motion to table.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

You want to table it?

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Let's just table it.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

It could fail by lack of motion, then he doesn't have to withdraw it.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

It's a kinder gentler thing to do.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

All right. We're being gentlemanly. So there's a motion to table by Legislator Vilorio•Fisher, seconded by Legislator Montano. All in favor? Opposed? So **TABLED (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

**LEG. CARACCILOLO:**

Mr. Chairman.

**1388•04. To establish community and youth services program at Sheep Pasture Road in Port Jefferson/Setauket, New York. (VILORIA•FISHER)**

**LEG. VILORIA•FISHER:**

Motion to table.

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Second to table.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Okay. 1388. You are asking for a point of personal privilege, is that what you want to comment on?

**LEG. CARACCILOLO:**

No. I'm going to make a request that since I've been standing outside the door here for 15 minutes, and when I looked at 11:30, there was no one in this room, you obviously started the agenda, and I'd like to cast my vote with the majority.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Thank you.

**LEG. COOPER:**

I second that motion.

**LEG. CARACCILOLO:**

You were probably doing the same thing.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Okay. I'm sorry, but I did call everybody to the horseshoe.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Okay, 1388.

**LEG. VILORIA • FISHER:**

I need to table that. I don't believe the EIS was approved yet by CEQ, and so we need to table it until that approval.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Motion to table by the sponsor, seconded by Legislator Carpenter. All in favor? Opposed?  
Passed and carried. **APPROVED. (VOTE:8•0•0•0)**

**LEG. CARPENTER:**

Motion to adjourn.

**CHAIRMAN SCHNEIDERMAN:**

Motion to adjourn. Thank you very much.

**(\* THE MEETING WAS ADJOURNED AT 11:50 P.M.\*)**



\\_ \\_ **DENOTES BEING SPELLED PHONETICALLY**